

RUMORED THAT GREAT NAVAL BATTLE IS RAGING

FRENCH AND BRITISH INCREASE PRESSURE ON WESTERN FRONT

WITH BETTER WEATHER, RUSSIANS RESUME ATTACK IN CARPATHIANS AND RETALIATE FOR AIR RAID ON WARSAW

London, April 23.—Great operations in the North Sea are believed by naval experts to be under way. Traffic between England and Holland has been stopped by the admiralty. It is evident that a great clash for the mastery of the sea is imminent if it has not already begun. Plans for the most stupendous naval operations the world has ever witnessed are said to be complete. The presence of British submarines off Heligoland last night is taken to indicate increasing naval activity.

SUBS AGAIN AT WORK

After a lull of several days, German submarines resumed operations in the North Sea, sinking the trawler St. Lawrence Thursday. The steamer Queen's town was attacked but escaped.

BIG NAVAL BATTLE

Montreal, April 23.—An evening paper states that a leading banker here has received a cablegram stating that a big naval battle is raging in the North Sea.

WORKING ON THE GERMAN WEDGE

Paris, April 23.—Bit by bit the French are cutting into the German wedge at St. Mihiel. The capture of two lines of trenches in the Apremont forest is regarded as important. While the official communique reports nothing new, unofficial reports tell of violent fighting at Apremont. The battle in Alsace, on cliffs and valleys of the Vosges continues. The French claim gains on both banks of the Fecht river.

GERMANS GAINED THEN LOST

Fresh attacks by French forces at Aldy south of St. Mihiel resulted in the capture of 700 yards of German trenches.

It is admitted in the Yser region that the French were driven back by the Germans using asphyxiating bombs, but in later counter attacks the French regained their lost ground.

SHELLING FORTS OF DARDANELLES AND SMYRNA

Athens, April 23.—British and French warships are bombarding the Smyrna and Dardanelles forts simultaneously.

Four British warships penetrated the straits Thursday, shelling forts on both sides. Others bombarded the European fortifications from the Saros gulf.

CONFLICT RENEWED IN THE CARPATHIANS

Petrograd, April 23.—The weather conditions in the Carpathians are improving. The Russians have resumed the offensive at the Uzok pass, using their heavy artillery. The Teutons, heavily reinforced from the west, are making frequent attacks, but are being repulsed.

The Teuton offensive from Dunajec is apparently completely checked. The Russians are pressing the enemy back from Gorlice with heavy losses.

RETALIATION FOR AN AIR RAID

Russian airmen bombarded the Germans at Plock and Miawa Thursday, causing serious damage, in retaliation for the attack by German aviators on Warsaw Wednesday. The Russian airmen returned undamaged.

ACREAGE INCREASED

WINTER WHEAT EXTENSIVELY PLANTED AS RESULT OF THE WAR

Washington, April 23.—The great demand for wheat as a result of the European war caused an increase in the world's winter wheat acreage, but there is little change in the spring wheat sowings, says the report of the department of agriculture.

May baskets, The Murray Company

BRAZOS AND COLORADO BROKE OUT OF BOUNDS

TERRIBLE LOSS OF LIFE AND PROPERTY CAUSED BY FLOODS IN TEXAS

Austin, Texas, April 23.—Fifteen are dead and enormous property damage was caused by floods in this section of Texas today.

In later reports an increase in the number of dead is expected. Unconfirmed reports state that thirty-five are drowned. Communication is interrupted and railroad tracks washed out.

The Brazos river rose eleven feet. There was an eight-inch rainfall in three hours. Lightning and wind caused considerable damage.

Many business houses have suspended in Austin, Waco, Dallas and Fort Worth.

er's box after the third and Bullock

put in. Dinkins, however, is looked upon by Manager Hunter as one of his coming strong ones, tho at present he is showing some stage fright.

Among the Citra rooters and enthusiasts on the grounds were Messrs. Stewart Ramey and Allison Wartmann.

The grounds are daily being put in better shape, and within a few weeks will be equal to any in the state.

Coca-Cola Wilder made the first run of the game for Ocala in the second, and did good work in right field.

Those Citra boys are some swatters, but not so strong on base running and fielding.

The association is meeting with success in its sale of season tickets, which is as it should be, as these funds are to be used in erecting a grandstand.

SETTLE IT SOON

AS TO WHETHER HARRY THAW IS SANE OR INSANE

New York, April 23.—Justice Kendrick today handed down a decision granting Harry Thaw a hearing to determine whether he is insane, before a jury. The trial is set for May 17th.

Thaw took his long sought victory calmly, and smiling.

APPOINTMENTS ANNOUNCED

Of Sponsors and Maids of Honor to the Confederate Reunion in Richmond

Richmond, April 23.—The announcement of the sponsors and maids of honor for the 1915 reunion of the United Confederate Veterans, in Richmond, June 1, 2 and 3, is being made piece-meal, owing to the fact that the division commanders are reporting their appointments at different items. In all, there will be more than fifty Southern beauties to grace the veterans' functions, and the same number representing the Sons of Veterans.

To date the following appointments have been announced:

North Carolina Division—General Julien S. Carr, commanding; Miss Bessie Burkheimer, of Charlotte, N. C., sponsor; Miss Miriam Morgan Applegate, of Lexington, Ky., maid of honor.

Virginia Division—General J. T. Brown, commanding; Mrs. C. W. Sumter, Christiansburg, Va., sponsor; Mrs. A. H. Branch, Newport News, Va., matron of honor.

Department of Tennessee—General Geo. P. Harrison, commanding; Miss Carolyn S. Hamilton, Columbus, Miss., sponsor; Miss Mary Rice, Atlanta, Ga., maid of honor.

Florida Division—General J. A. Rosborough, commanding; Mrs. R. R. Rosborough, Jacksonville, Fla., matron of honor; Miss Catherine Baker, Jacksonville, sponsor.

Mississippi Division—General V. B. Vance, commanding; Miss Helen Clark, Cleveland, Miss., sponsor; Miss Emma Boothe, Batesville, Miss., Lida Belle Brame, Jackson, and Miss Louise Allen, Glen Allen, maids of honor; Mrs. Mary H. S. Kimbrough, Greenwood, matron of honor; Mrs. J. D. Miller, Batesville, and Mrs. Virginia R. Price, Carrollton, chaperons.

Kentucky Division—General W. B. Haldeman, commanding; Miss Henrietta White, Louisville, sponsor; Miss Hilary Melton, Elizabethtown, and Miss Frances B. Steele, Midway, maids of honor.

Trans-Mississippi Department—General K. M. Van Zandt, commanding; Mrs. Lutie Bailey Walcott, McAlister, Okla., sponsor; Miss Selma Couch, Magnolia, Ark., maid of honor.

Pacific Division—General Wm. C. Harrison, commanding; Miss Sallie Sample, Fresno, Cal., sponsor; Miss Pearl Butler, Pulaski, Tenn., maid of honor; Miss Ruby Butler, Pulaski, Tenn., Miss Ruby Carter, Tennessee; Miss Modolin Pemberton, Chattanooga, Tenn., Miss Lucile Coles Anderson, Huntsville, Ala., maids of honor; Mrs. Lillian Tardy Rose, Tuscaloosa, Ala., chaperon; Mrs. Lelia Anderson, Huntsville, Ala., matron of honor.

Oklahoma Division—General D. M. Hailley, commanding; Miss Evelyn Johnson, Oklahoma City, sponsor.

May baskets, The Murray Company

Smoke Cuban Club, 5c Cigar.

OCALA HAS TWO OUTLETS

Postal Telegraph Wires Now Running to Southern as Well as Northern Points

Messrs. James Keeler, general foreman; E. H. Price, foreman of the wire stringing force, and E. H. Thomas, foreman of the pole constructing force of the Postal Telegraph-Cable Company, arrived in the city yesterday with twenty-five linemen, completing the work of constructing the Postal's new wires between Ocala and Tampa. The new wires will be cut in at the Postal's local office tonight or tomorrow morning, giving the Ocala office splendid outlets in two directions, and direct connections with all the Postal's Florida offices. Manager Joyner will celebrate with several bottles of the Commoner's beverage.

AFFAIRS OF THE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

The regular monthly meeting of the Woman's Library Association was held yesterday afternoon. The ladies propose to have a candy sale Wednesday evening, April 28th, at the Temple theater, and solicit the patronage of the public. A motion was passed to amend the by-laws in regard to a quorum at the next meeting. The members will kindly send in their annual dues to Mrs. Jake Brown, treasurer.

SOME FINE CLOVER

Mr. Z. C. Chambliss plucked at random, this morning and brought in to the bank, a stalk of bur clover, that measured 30 inches in length. The clover was planted 10 years ago on the T. T. Munroe farm southwest of town, now owned by Mr. J. W. Naylor, and has seeded itself ever since.

AGATHERIDAN SOCIETY

The Agatheridan Society held its regular meeting this afternoon, when the following program was rendered: Subject: Miscellaneous. Song, Cheer for Old Amherst—By school.

Rows 3 and 5 answer with the name of a musical composer and two of his works.

Essay, The Fall of the Alamo—Stella Camp.

Recitation, Speech of Antony—Linn Sanders.

Chorus.

Essay, Some Bills Proposed in the Present Legislature and Need for Them—Edward Connor.

Recitation, The Chambered Nautilus—Mary Garrett.

Essay, Something About Volcanoes and the Recent Eruption of Mt. Sakurakima—Mamie Fant.

Oral story, "Eleanora" by Poe—Claudia Oneal.

After the report of the critics, the society adjourned to meet again April 30th.

EASTER LILIES

Magnificent Easter lilies, \$1 per dozen flowers, 216 N. Main street. 22-6t

SECOND GAME OF THE SEASON

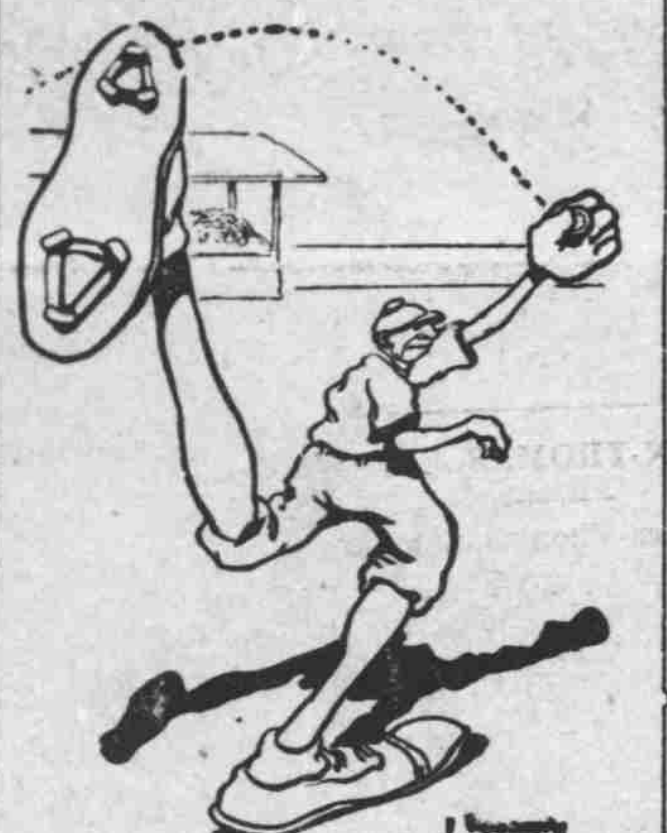
OCALA WON IN CONTEST INTERESTING, THO FULL OF ERRORS

With ideal weather conditions and the prospects of evenly matched teams, a good crowd witnessed the second ball game of the season yesterday afternoon at the South Magnolia street diamond, between the locals and Citra.

Following is the line-up of the teams:

Ocala: Bertram, p; Dinkins, Bullock, c; C. Chazal, 1b; Davis, 2b; Dewey, 3b; Zewadski, ss; Wilder, rf; J. Chazal, cf; Harris, lf.

Citra: Gates, p; Riles, c; Luffman, 1b; Ausley, 2b; Hobson, 3b; Brice, ss; N. Ergle, rf; Lambert, cf; J. Ergle, lf.



Charlie Chazal Heading Off High Ones at First

First Inning

Citra: Brice safe on short's error; Ausley fanned; Gates flied out to left field; Hobson out, pitcher to first.

Ocala: C. Chazal walked; Davis fanned; Harris flied out to second; Zewadski out, second to first.

Second Inning

Citra: N. Ergle safe on third's overthrow; Lambert safe on first's error; Riles walked; Luffman hit to short; N. Ergle thrown out at plate; J. Ergle hit safe to right field; Lambert scored; Brice and Ausley fanned.

Ocala: Dewey fanned; Wilder safe on catcher's overthrow; J. Chazal out, short to first; Wilder scoring; Dinkins safe on overthrow of short, out trying to steal third.

Third Inning

Citra: Gates and Hobson fanned, N. Ergle walked; Lambert out, four fly to catcher.

Ocala: Bertram flied out to short; C. Chazal safe on second's muff of fly; Davis safe on second's overthrow; Harris bunted safe down third base line, scoring Chazal and Davis; Zewadski flied out to center, Harris scoring on throw in; Davis fanned.

Fourth Inning

Citra: Riles flied out to second; Luffman flied out to short; J. Ergle safe on short's error; Brice fanned.

Ocala: Wilder fanned, C. Chazal flied out to left field; Bullock safe on second's error. Bertram fanned.

Fifth Inning

Citra: Ausley fanned; Gates safe on pitcher's error; Hobson hit for two bases to center field, scoring Gates; N. Ergle hit to deep center field, scoring Hobson, afterward's scoring on catcher's error; Lambert and Riles fanned.

Ocala: J. Chazal out, second to first; Davis safe on short's error; Harris out second to first; Davis scored on passed ball; Zewadski safe on infield hit; Dewey out catcher to first.

Sixth Inning

Citra: Martin fanned; J. Ergle out

short to first; Brice safe on short's wide throw to first; Ausley walked; Gates safe on short's wide throw to first; Hobson fanned.



Snapshot of "Bugs" Bullock's Steal in the Sixth

Ocala: Wilder walked; C. Chazal bunted safe to third, Wilder out at third; C. Chazal out at second; Bullock hit by pitcher and stole second; Bertram out by foul fly to catcher.

Seventh Inning

Citra: N. Ergle out pitcher to first; Lambert out second to first; Riles fanned.

Ocala: J. Chazal fanned; Davis out, fly to center field; Harris walked; Zewadski safe on infield hit to short; Dewey out second to first.

Eighth Inning

Citra: Martin and N. Ergle fanned; Brice safe on first's error, put out trying to steal second.



Ausley Was Slow in Getting Back to Second in the Eighth

Ocala: Wilder walked; C. Chazal fanned; Bullock out, fly to right field; Bertram out, short to first.

Ninth Inning

Citra: Ausley walked, stole second; Gates flied out to center; Ausley thrown out at second; Hobson safe on first's error; N. Ergle hit safe to center field, scoring Hobson; Lambert out, second to first.

Ocala: J. Chazal hit to right field for two bases; Davis out, fly to short; Harris safe on short's error; Zewadski safe on infield hit, scoring J. Chazal.

Score: R H Ocala . . . 0 1 3 0 1 0 0 1—6 6 Citra . . . 0 1 0 0 3 0 0 1—5 5

Two base hits, J. Chazal, Hobson, N. Ergle; three base hits, N. Ergle; hit by pitcher, Bullock; walked by Bertram 4, Gates 4; struck out by Bertram 12, Gates 6.

While the game was full of errors it was greatly enjoyed as the teams were about evenly matched.

Mr. Bennett, who has been umpiring the games, left today to accept a position as umpire for one of the minor leagues.

Bullock's steal in the sixth inning was one of the features of the game. Dinkins was taken out of the catch-

BERLIN SAYS ALLIES WERE BEATEN

KAISER'S MEN WON IN THURSDAY COMBATS

NEW ORDERS FROM GERMAN ADMIRALTY LEAVE NO RIGHT ON SEAS TO NEUTRALS

WILL MARK OUT THE WAY

Commissioners for Dixie Highway in Session in Metropolis of Kentucky

Louisville, April 23.—The Dixie Highway Commission met today to organize. No governors are present. It is not likely that the route will be chosen today.

TEDDY'S ACID TALK

HE DESCRIBES BARNES AS ANOTHER JEKYLL AND HYDE

Syracuse, N. Y., April 23.—Mr. Roosevelt continues on the stand at the libel suit trial today. He testified that he once regarded Barnes as a Jekyll and Hyde person. He tried to reform him, but eventually the Hyde swallowed up the Jekyll element. There was considerable acrimony at times. Immense crowds are present. Roosevelt is being lionized by the people.

THE CARN-THOMAS CO. WAY

Messrs. Carn-Thomas Company began this week to give each employee of the store a half day off during the week. Mr. Wesson drew the first half day and took yesterday afternoon. As soon as school is out, one clerk in the store each week will be given a full day off, for the remainder of the summer. This store has not signed the half day closing agreement heretofore, preferring as this year, to give its men their holidays in its own way.

COMMERCIAL CONGRESS

Senator Fletcher Will Preside Over Meeting at Muscogee

Washington, April 23.—Senator D. U. Fletcher of Florida left last night for Muscogee, Okla., where he will preside over the annual convention of the Southern Commercial Congress. He will remain there all of next week and from Muscogee will go to Florida. The Southern Commercial Congress will convene next Monday.

PASSED BAD CHECKS

A young white man, hailing from Waldo, giving his name as D. B. Berry, called on Mr. G. A. Carmichael yesterday morning, had him cash a \$4 check and made a small purchase.

He then went to Mr. Marcus Frank and wished to get a check cashed on a Waldo bank, the check having Mr. Carmichael's endorsement on the back. Mr. Frank called Mr. Carmichael on the phone and asked him if he had endorsed the check. Mr. C. said he had not and asked Mr. Frank to watch the man till he could get there. Mr. Carmichael drove up to the Frank store, Mr. Frank watching the man in the meantime, took him in charge and delivered him to an officer in the courthouse. At the courthouse the prisoner gave him name as A. D. Berry and said the endorser was a brother of his. Mr. Carmichael found on his person another check, on a local bank form, made to himself, D. B. Berry, for \$5, and several other blank checks on different banks for future use. Mr. Carmichael phoned the Waldo bank and asked them if they knew of such a man and the bank replied that a D. B. Berry lived there, but it could not be him as he was then in town.

Ledgers, journals, etc., at The Murray Company. 3t

If you want to rent a house, get a bargain, see S. E. Christian. 14-1m*

Berlin, April 23.—The Germans made marked gains in Flanders Thursday, capturing the villages of Langemark, Steenstraad, Hetsas and Piliiken.

French gains are admitted near St. Mihiel, where the enemy penetrated a section of German trenches between the Ailly forest and Apremont. Part of the French forces were later driven out, but some managed to maintain their foothold.

NO SHOW FOR NEUTRALS

Amendments to the prize rules governing German naval operations, signed by Emperor William and Admiral von Tirpitz and published in the Reichs Anzeiger, are designed as a "reprisal for the decision made by England and her allies contravening the declaration of London of Feb. 26, 1909."

Under the new order field glasses, nautical instruments, pig lead, aeroplanes, coal and coke are made absolute contraband. Several other commodities are added to the list of conditional contraband. In such a case it is provided that a ship shall be liable to capture even if bound for a neutral port.

ODD FELLOWS' ANNIVERSARY SERVICE

Special Service by Tulula Lodge Sunday Afternoon, April 25, at 3:30 O'Clock at the Lodge Hall

Following is the program: Music by orchestra. Song, "America."

Invocation—Dr. J. M. Gross. Scripture, selected—W. L. Colbert. Male quartet—Messrs. James Mulligan, Harry O. Cole, L. L. Taylor, W. A. Altman. Accompanied by Miss Mabel Aklin.

Address, "Odd Fellowship"—M. M. Little.

Double quartet—Miss Porter, Miss Marsh, Mrs. Goin, Miss Gates, Mr. Gates, Mr. Moore, Dr. Blalock, Mr. Nash.

Address, "The Brotherhood of Man"—Rev. A. B. McDonald.

Music by orchestra. Closing song, "Nearer, My God, to Thee." Benediction—Rev. A. B. McDonald.

RESULT OF A FAMILY ROW

As the result of a family row among some colored people living near the county jail last night, two women were before the recorder this morning. Mary Whitman was charged with cutting her husband with a knife. He exhibited several wounds which she had made on his shoulder. After hearing the evidence Recorder Izlar fined Mary \$7 and costs. Mary didn't have the money on her person, but on appealing to her employer was able to secure her release.

Carrie Medlock, a sister of the Whitman woman, was arrested on a charge of fighting. She was fined \$5. Carrie also said that she did not have the wherewithal to secure her release, and as the city is at present in position to put females at work, Recorder Izlar allowed her to depart on her promise to pay the fine within three weeks. The arrests were made by Officer Felt.

BURBANK

Burbank, April 21.—A circus visited our little burg Saturday and gave a fine little show Saturday night, which was enjoyed by all present.

Mr. A. Brower left Sunday morning for Michigan.

Mr. W. E. Bogue spent Monday in the Brick City.

Mr. M. D. L. Graham raised a head of cabbage this spring that he pulled Monday. It weighed 12 pounds. Who can beat it?

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Abbott are now caring for Mr. Evers' baby boy.

Mrs. L. H. Langworthy spent Tuesday and Wednesday the guests of friends in Ocala.

We want you to step in and see our line of FOUNTAIN SYRINGES and water bottles, all prices. The Court Pharmacy.

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